A Note from the Director
This coronavirus has certainly put a crimp in our style. We needed to close because our being a community gathering space upped the risk of the library’s contributing to community spread of the virus. Re-opening slowly with curbside service only and then a gradual allowing of a limited number of people in the building makes sense. None of these stages of re-opening is ideal, but as the goal of our plan is to keep staff and patrons safe/safer, I believe it’s best. All of us are looking forward to the day when the library is fully open and providing the services that we offered—and perhaps more services!—before this pandemic happened.

Please check The County Press, and the library’s website and Facebook pages for updates and for the details of the plan that library staff are following.

Those details will also be posted on the doors of each library branch. Please note that patrons must wear masks to enter the libraries. Your welcoming staff will be wearing them to protect you, so please do your best to protect your friendly library staff, and each other.

In the midst of this pandemic, however, life goes on. Our reference librarian for the past dozen years, Laura Fromwiller, left Lapeer District Library to take on a new position at Oxford Public Library. Staff and patrons will miss her skill at finding answers for them, her real talent for book selection, her passion for local history, and her ready smile, friendly greeting and warm laughter. All of us are looking forward to seeing our community members again. Please be patient with us as we navigate a work life that we have never experienced before.

Melissa Malcolm, Library Director

Virtual Anytime Storytime
Watch storytime from Miss Mary’s home to yours during Anytime Storytime! There will be a new episode every Friday. Don’t forget to sing along! This has been made possible by publisher special permission during the COVID-19 pandemic for a limited time. Available through Facebook or the LDL website at https://library.lapeer.org/children/welcome-to-the-childrens-department

Magical Storytime Program
Join us July 23 beginning at 12:30pm for a magical virtual storytime with Jennifer Strauss. This virtual program is part of the summer library program. You must have a facebook account to participate. https://library.lapeer.org/slp/2020/kids

Summer Weekly Drawings
The Summer Library Program has weekly prize drawings for adults, teens and children for craft participation and summer reading through August 8th. Contact your local branch for more details or visit the LDL website.

Curbside & Lobby Hours
Lapeer District Library will begin Stage 4 plans toward reopening its libraries which means that LDL will continue to offer limited curbside and begin some lobby hours. Due to safety and sanitation issues, patrons will not be allowed in the stacks (bookshelves) or on the computers and the number of patrons allowed inside will be limited. MASK WEARING will be required of all patrons and staff. See our website for more information.

Storytimes & Programs
In-person storytimes and programs at all LDL Branches are temporarily suspended. Please see the LDL website for more information on upcoming programs.

ALL CHILDREN’S PROGRAMS ARE FREE.
Summer Reading Registration
New this year, readers of all ages can register for Summer Reading in seconds as individuals or a family. Beanstack makes it easy to keep track of your reading and activities while completing the Summer Library Program. Setting up a Beanstack account is easy.

► On your computer access the link here and follow the steps: https://lapeer.beanstack.org/reader365
► On handheld devices download the Beanstack app through your app store.
► If you don’t have a computer, smart phone or internet you can still register for the Summer Library Program in the traditional way. Contact your branch to pick up paper registration forms.

Children’s Craft Aways
From June 22nd to August 1st, when you schedule a curbside pick up service, don’t forget to ask for a Craft-Away bag for kids. All crafts can be completed using a glue stick. Need a glue stick? Just ask us to drop one in the bag. We will have a new craft at the beginning of each week at all branches while supplies last. Please call ahead. Best for ages 4 and up! Don’t forget to email a photo of your craft to LDLcontest@lib.lapeer.org to be entered into a weekly prize drawing.

Adult & Teen Crafts Kits
Summer library take and make crafts will be available for pickup at the deAngeli library. Kits are limited and registration is required. Kits are still available for the weeks beginning July 13-August 1. Visit the library calendar for craft registration or call your local branch. https://library.lapeer.org/calendar-of-events/library-calendar#/events/

Summer Crafting Contest
All adults, teens and children who email a photo of their completed summer library program crafts to LDLcontest@lib.lapeer.org will be entered into weekly prize drawings. If you weren’t able to register for a kit, download the instruction sheets from our website and complete the crafts using your own materials and email us a photo to be entered in the weekly drawings.

Temporary Library Cards
If you are a Lapeer County resident and would like an LDL card to access our digital services click on the link at our website. Upon registration, you will be asked to print or write down your library card number. It cannot be retrieved once the pop up window is closed. This is a temporary card for digital services only and cannot be used to checkout or place holds on physical materials. Once the library reopens visit your local branch to upgrade your card.

Teen Summer Reading
Teens aged 12-18 that read and log at least 7 hours between June 19th and August 8th will finish the summer library program and entered into the grand prize drawings. For every additional hour you read, you receive another ticket for the grand prize drawing. For more information visit https://library.lapeer.org/slp/2020/teen

Adult Summer Reading
Adults can read 3 books and register them in Beanstack or turn in 3 review sheets to complete the adult summer reading program. Each entry will go into weekly drawings and anyone who turns in or registers 3 books will go into the grand prize drawing. For more information visit https://library.lapeer.org/slp/2020/adult

All LDL programs are temporarily on hold and some services are unavailable. Visit our website or Facebook page for updates or for more information.

Thank you to the Friends of the Library at all Lapeer District Library branches for their support of library programs.

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